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SO GLAD YOU ASKED



About

Earth Stewardship: A Moral Obligation

by Sr. Terry Wasinger, O.P.

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to God." Psalm 24: verse 1. This psalm verse is one of the more familiar to most Christians. We know and believe that the earth is the Lord's and all of us as well. What is important is that we put our knowledge and belief to action. We have been given ample advice about this, and how it is our moral obligation.

On Friday, April 19, 2013, Pope Francis meeting with the President of Ecuador, showed concern for the environment, saying *Take good care of creation. St. Francis wanted that. People occasionally forgive, but nature never does. If we don't take care of the environment, there's no way of getting around it.*

On Thursday, May 9, 2013 the world passed one of the most sobering—and potentially catastrophic—climate change milestones: not since the Pliocene Era 3 million years ago have the atmospheric concentration of carbon dioxide (CO₂) passed 400 parts per million. [National Geographic reports](#) that the measurement was verified by two independent teams of scientists measuring CO₂ on Mauna Loa [Hawaii]: one from the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the other from the Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

[The Washington Post writes](#) that Manmade emissions of carbon dioxide have increased the atmospheric concentration of CO₂ from around 270 to 280 ppm in the late 1700s to today's record high level – a 43 percent increase. Most scientists agree that atmospheric CO₂ concentrations must be stabilized at 350 ppm by 2050 in order to avoid runaway and irreversible climate change. The [Los Angeles Times reports](#), however, that the current rate of CO₂ emissions will result in 450 ppm concentrations by 2050.

Amidst the rising level of greenhouse gas emissions, several consequences of human cause of climate change have recently been highlighted:

1. It is thought to be responsible for this year's extended winter season in parts of the U.S. and the recent snow storms that occurred throughout the Midwest. 2. Glaciers are melting faster than ever before causing sea levels to rise. 3. Rising sea levels along the South Carolina coast has caused what was once a forested wetland [to] have morphed into a salt marsh of dead trees jutting toward the sky.

What actions can we take? Educate ourselves as to what is causing the CO₂ concentrations to increase. It is proven that it is the increase use of fossil fuels. Can we convert to a more lifestyle that will lessen our Carbon Footprint? Learn more about this at the website: Catholic Coalition on Climate Change, an organization founded by the Bishops of the U.S.. The Coalition has a weekly newsletter, to educate all the faithful about the impact of climate change, and how we can learn about our own carbon footprint, and take the St. Francis Pledge to help the environment.

APRIL FINANCES

INCOME:

Collections	16,688.68
Special Donations	550.00
Endowment	
Interest	4.36
Farm	
PSR	604.50
Fundraisers	465.25
Miscellaneous	<u>5,002.87</u>
TOTAL	\$23,315.66

EXPENSES:

Stewardship	2,185.28
Salaries	12,437.15
Insurance	1,493.00
Utilities	1,029.92
Maintenance	2,702.61
Improvement	179.99
Office	777.54
PSR	748.78
Farm	
Miscellaneous	<u>3,321.10</u>
TOTAL	\$24,875.37

JUNE AT A GLANCE

Jun 1/2 ~ Parish Elections
 Jun 3-6 ~ 5/6 Grade Summer Camp, Camp Lakeside
 Jun 4 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
 Jun 4 ~ Adult Religious Formation Team Meeting, 7:00 PM
 Jun 9 ~ Parish Outreach Meeting, 11:30 AM
 Jun 16 ~ Father's Day
 Jun 16 ~ After Mass Luncheon @ Peking Garden
 Jun 16 ~ Altar Society Meeting, 5:00 PM, Parish Office
 Jun 17-20 ~ 7/8 Grade Summer Camp, Camp Lakeside
 Jun 18 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
 Jun 19 ~ Adoration, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
 Jun 20 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM

**Happy Father's
Day!**

FINANCE/PROPERTY COUNCIL

- ❖ Met May 21st
- ❖ Members present: Bob Haymaker, Dennis Wilson, G.L. VonFeldt, Don Jensen, Leon Sanders, Jim Damm, Fr. Warren & Pam Hutfles. Unable to attend: Carol Jacob, Sharon Larsen.
- ❖ Minutes of the April 16, 2013 meeting were approved as presented.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial reports for April reflecting \$23,315.66 in income and \$24,875.37 in expenses for a net income of negative \$1,559.71. Our YTD net loss is \$12,252.39. Total assets at the end of April totaled \$541,564.32 compared to \$544,398.40 this time last year.
- ❖ Old Business:
 - a. The irrigation system for the church grounds is currently on hold until dirt work can be completed.
 - b. Pam shared the cost for Online Giving. Fr. Warren mentioned checking into automatic withdrawals with our local banks. This would accommodate parishioners who are gone for vacations, summer activities, etc. The council agreed this would be a good idea. Further research will be done with our local banks.
 - c. Don shared that Quality Glass looked at the church windows where there was water leakage. The weather stripping has been discontinued. Quality Glass recommended using a silicone seal and will give us an estimate.
- ❖ New Business:
 - a. Pam shared a concern from a parishioner regarding church restrooms needing to be more handicap friendly. Following discussion, G.L. will check with Tim Schaller about the possibility of adding a unisex restroom that could be handicap assessable.
 - b. Fr. Warren shared that there has been discussion of changing the look of the triangle behind the crucifix in church. The veneer on the triangle is in need of repair. A notice will be placed in the parish newsletter, bulletin and on the church website letting parishioners know the rationale for considering a change. Comments will be welcome from parishioners during the month of June.
- ❖ Next meeting June 18, 2013 @ 12:00 Noon.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met May 16th
- ❖ Members: Matt Stucker, Mary Klinge, Barbara Hammond, Sr. Rebecca, Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Michael Klemens, David O'Gwin, Phillip Hammeke, & Nicki Roof.
- ❖ The meeting opened with prayer.
- ❖ The minutes of the April 18, 2013 were approved following one correction.
- ❖ Scheduled the calling list for servers.
- ❖ Discussed the triangle behind the crucifix in church. It was decided to seek input from the parishioners before a permanent decision is made regarding the modification. Comments will be sought during the month of June. Pastoral Council will then review information received before taking any action.
- ❖ Barbara Hammond is organizing/seeking names for Parish Elections. Parish Elections will be held the weekend of June 1 & 2.
- ❖ It was agreed that the parish bylaws need some revision so that the various committees and councils are included. Currently the bylaws only address the Pastoral Council. Mary Klinge agreed to work on revising the bylaws and bring them back to the June meeting for discussion. Following further discussion of the parish bylaws, it was the consensus of the Pastoral Council that a joint meeting be held with Pastoral Council and the chairpersons/designee of each committee/council at the June meeting to acknowledge these leaders for their dedication and also an opportunity for questions regarding their responsibilities. A dinner meeting will be held on June 20 with location to be determined.
- ❖ Next meeting: June 20, 2013 @ 6:30 PM

PSR NEWS

A Special Thanks to this year's Catechists and Laudators who looked after our **109 PSR students** ...their endless hours, preparation, and prayers were greatly appreciated! **WE WERE SO LUCKY TO HAVE ALL OF YOU!!** Rachael Herter, Wyatt Haberman, Tahje Ochs, Maci Perez, Alexis Langdon, Kate Schroeder, Keshia Garcia, Duskin Bowman, Casey Danler, Hannah Smyth, Phillip & Susan Perez, Autumn Millan, Krysten Watkins, John & Jane Kelty, Susan Colglazier, Lou Ann Barker, Helen Finger, Emily Bird, Jim & Judy Damm, Ann Ellis, Tama Hanson, Emily Tanner, Raymond & Cindy Perez, Darrell & Jean Tanner, Jennifer McNett, David & Rita O'Gwin, Amanda Cenicerros, Shannon Fischer, Doug & Mary Smith, Barbara Hammond, Jacque Butler, Vicki Perez, Frank & Vi Prosser, Stacy Sanger, Toni Novotny, Larry & Janet Skelton, Fay Murphy, Kristen Snodgrass, Joe & Cindy Colglazier, Robert & Bernadine Hammeke, Jane Bahr, Brenda Langdon, Dawn Smyth, Stan & Lee Durler, Ray & Carol Moeder, Marty Turner, David & Kathy Hammeke, Fred & Janet Adams, Charlie & Linda Befort, Joe & Helen Haberman, Don & Kathy Kazmaier.

Have a blessed & safe summer! God Bless!

Brenda Johnson, DRE

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Sacred Heart Altar Society will meet on Sunday, June 16th at 5:00 PM in the Parish Office. Items to be discussed: The proposed changes to the By-Laws and Standing Rules, the black triangle behind the crucifix in church, and the need for a major fundraiser for Altar Society.

Crucifix Triangle

During the past couple of months, the Pastoral Council has received comments on the condition of the triangle behind the crucifix above the altar. The veneer on the triangle has started to curl bringing up ideas of change. Some of these ideas of change range from taking down the triangle and leave the crucifix against the stone backdrop to building a framework with stained glass and backlighting. We as the Council understand that although some might desire change, others might not. We would like to hear from you, the parishioners, as to your wishes pertaining to the crucifix. Please contact any Council member: Matt Stucker, Philip Hammeke, Barbara Hammond, Michael Klemens, Mary Klinge, David O'Gwin, Nicki Roof or the parish office with your ideas. We look forward to hearing your ideas and comments.

June Birthdays

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| (01) Adaeze Nwachukwu-Udaku | (16) Mike Lemuz |
| Chris Ryan | Nora Sanders |
| (03) Marcia Giessel | (17) Bob Brown |
| David Romo | Robert Hammeke |
| (04) John Grant | (18) Tom Coulson |
| Jessi Johnson | Jacques Molleker |
| (05) Rick Carlson | (19) Norman Kuntz |
| (06) Madelyn Hammeke | Jamie Sawicki |
| John Harmon | Betty Schartz |
| Pat Hayes | (20) Addison Townsend |
| Phil Martin | (21) Mackenzie Perez |
| Vera Schmidt | Jamee Schroeder |
| (07) Terry Stanton | (23) Shane Foster |
| (08) Stacie Kozlowski | Danette Unruh |
| (09) Evelyn Youngers | (24) Sr. Virginia Pearl |
| (11) Georgia Bauer | Ron Robinson |
| Elaine Coulson | Tim Schaller |
| Joe Garcia | (25) Luke Barker |
| Clayton Hammeke | Eli Kelty |
| Nicki Roof | Brian Medina |
| Debra Snyder | Mary Ann Schartz |
| (12) Mallorie Cenicerros | Carolyn Zook |
| (13) Lynn Ryan | (26) Marty Turner |
| (14) Pierson Burgess | (28) Emily Tanner |
| Onyinye Nwachukwu-Udaku | Joe Wren |
| (15) Mike Burdett | (30) Drew Bowman |
| Kaitlyn Finger | TaWanna Callahan |
| | Liliana Houser |



June Anniversaries

- (01) Elmer and Faye Hogan
Phillip and Susan Perez
(02) Joe and Ashley Garcia
Walter and Dolores Martin
Frank and Vi Prosser
Tracy and Jenny Rector
(03) Curtis and Sophia Smith
(04) Mike and Jana Schartz
Stephen and Kay Schartz
(05) Bob and Alicia Bixby
(06) Scott and Joy Schmidt
(07) Michael and Jacque Butler
(09) Tony and Linda Lemuz
(12) Cory and Kate Reece
(13) Bob and Sue Haymaker
(16) Jeremy and Liz McDonald
(18) Richard and Barbara VonFeldt
(21) Matt and Elizabeth Fisher
(24) Macy and Janet Cook
Matt and Kathy Stucker
(28) Dennis and Joan Wilson
(29) Rick and Colleen Carlson

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed,
Call 285-2035. We want to include everyone.

† BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Leyum Gunner and Brylee ReNae, the
children of Brian Medina & Sonya Wysong
May 11, 2013



CONGRATULATIONS!

Walter & Dolores Martin ~ married 65 years
Elmer & Faye Hogan ~ married 60 years
Frank & Vi Prosser ~ married 57 years
Bob & Sue Haymaker ~ married 54 years
Tony & Linda Lemuz ~ married 51 years
Curtis & Sophia Smith ~ married 25 years

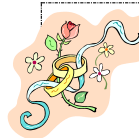
Remember with Prayer

John Grant
Mary Schartz
Curtis Smith
Armella Dechant
Calvin Blattner
Grace Perez
Phyllis Neidig
Kindra Perez
Ed Haremza
Jayden Waller
Chris Gross
Sharon Larsen
Betty Tauscher
Fr. Warren Stecklein



Elora Robinson
Grace Sloan
Pat Thompson
Elsie Jones
Mickey Perez
Mary Ann Schartz
Clayton Kelty
Sr. Mary Ann Klein
Catherine Orth
Joyce Greathouse
Susan Colglazier
Carol (Bart) Eaton
Sr. Clara Ann Fluech
Coletta Meier

All of our men and women serving in the
United States military



UNITED IN MARRIAGE

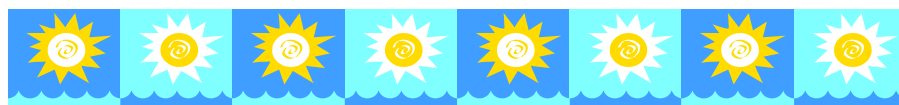
Luis Loya & Tiffany Garcia
May 25, 2013

PARISH ELECTIONS

Parish Elections for council/committees will take
place the weekend of June 1 & 2.

KNIGHTS JUNE EVENTS

June 4 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
(Election of Officers)
June 7/8/9 . . . Family Reunion (R)
June 15 Wedding Reception/Dance (R)
June 20 Dinner (G)





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